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Interview Summary

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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 40.

Identification of prior art discussed: US Patent 4,072,607 (Schiller hereinafter) and US Patent 6,222,083 (Colle '083 hereinafter).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed, re; examiner's inherency position regarding the composition of Schiller, showing that Schiller fails to disclose "clathrate hydrate inhibitors", and making a showing of unexpected results in regard to the molecular weight distribution of the polymers to distinguish over Colle '083.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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